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Boers Contesting Every Inch of Ground Before the British.

#### DOING MUCH DAMAGE

They Evacuate One Position to Take up Another-Boers Leave Wepener Hurriedly-Commander Cronje Reported Killed.

London, April 26 .- All interest in the retreating from the southern portion of the Orange Free State and General French's horsemen and the infantry of Generals Pole-Carew, Chermside and Rundle. But the British hope of couclusive results is slim at present, the Boers escaping unbeaten and having accomplished an immense amount of damage. They clung to their positious as long as it was safe to do so, and have now slipped off to hold the next commanding ridge through the broken conntry admirably suited for a rear guard defense.

Dispatches from Aliwal North under Wepener so hurriedly that many of their been killed.

According to advices from Bloemfonfort to get in touch with command at asking for an explanation of the report-Thabanchu was frustrated by a force dis- ed strained relations. The minister repatched by General Tucker from Glen. A dispatch from Pretoria reports the arrival there of Lord Rosslyn as un-

wounded prisoner. The war office has received the following message from Roberts:

"Bloemfontein, April 25.—Good news from Baden-Powell up to April 10. Mac- and defer pressure in demands for the Laren much better. All the wounded indemnity, although it is generally recare doing well. Boers captured several ognized that permission to rebuild will native women who were trying to escape from Mafeking, but these were turned back.

In the house of commons George Wyndham the parliamentary secretary of war office, replying to questions, declared Roberts made no comment whatever on Methuen's Magersfontein operations James Lowther, a Conservative was heartily cheered when he gave notice that he would call attention on May 22 to General Roberts' recent Spionkop dispatches and move a production of further papers on the subject.

EXPLOSION AT PRETORIA. Building Used as an Arsenat Blows up from Unknown Cause.

Pretoria, April 26.—A serious explosion occurred at the Begbie works, used by the government as an arsenal. Wednesday night. The walls of the building were destroyed and soon the structures ghastliness of the scene. Ten workmen Herr Grunberg, manager of the works. The most important of the machinery was saved. The cause of the explosion is unknown. The works employed 200 persons, mostly French and Italians. The Red Cross ambulance did good work in helping the wounded.

#### Queen Leaves Dublin.

Dublin, April 26 .- Queen Victoria, Princess Christian and Princess Henry and drove to Kings Bridge station on the way to Kingstown and England. Large crowds at every point gave her majesty a loyal farewell. The train started for Kingstown amidst the heartiest demonstrations. Enormous crowds had preceeded the queen to Kingstown and occupied piers and other places from which the royal yacht Victoria and Albert was visible. A memorable demonstration occurred as her majesty boarde the yacht, which steamed seaward, amid the firing of the royal salute by the fleet and hearty and prolonged cheering from the throngs lining the waterside.

#### Bank Vault Blown.

Coulterville, Ills., April 26.--Burglars terville with dynamite early this morning, and secured \$5000, nearly all in currency, and made their escape. The rebbers are supposed to be members of the gang which operated throughout the states of Minnesota and Wisconsin during the last six months. The village is practically without police protection and the burglars had little difficulty in securing an entrance to the bank. They muffled the sound of the explosion so well nothing whatever was known of the robbery until the cashier opened the doors of his office.

Brenham's Smallpox Record. Brenham, Tex., April 26.--In his re port to the special session of the com missioners' court, City and County Health Physician Hynes stated that he had treated 97 cases of smallpox during the epidemic here. Dr. Hynes said he reported only the cases he had treated ing the summer months. They say that

himself. Other physicians in the city had treated many patients and some cases pulled through without any treat ment. Dr. Hynes thinks there were be tween 600 and 700 cases of the disease in Brenham during the epidemic.

#### Brakeman Falls Between Cars.

Ardmore, I. T., April 26.-Jack Har rah, aged 20 years, a brakeman on the Santa Fe rock train, fell between the cars and was fatally hurt. The accident occurred at a point north of here.

### THE NOTE DELIVERED.

United States Gives Turkey to Understand What Is Expected of Her.

Constantinople, April 26 .- Negotiations between the United States and the porte regarding the Armenian indemnity South African war is now centered in claims have again been transferred here. the running fight between the burghers United States Charge d'Affaires Griscom on Wednesday handed Tewfik Pasha, minister of foreign affairs, a note based on instructions received here from Washington, the tenor of which has not yet been made public. It is understood, however, it demands prompt payment of the indemnity. The note will be discussed at the council of ministers today. Similar steps by other powers are regarded as imminent. Mr. Griscom declines to express his views.

The only issue at present, however, is the execution of the porte's reported promises to Minister Strauss to pay the indemnity. After Mr. Strauss left the date of Wednesday say the Boers left matter remained in abeyance until the Associated Press dispatch from Washdead were left in the trenches unburied. Associated Press dispatch from Washington on April 17 sharply reminded Commandant Cronje is reported to have the Turkish government the question required urgent attention.

The porte immediately telegraphed tein the attempt of the Boers at Brand- the Turkish minister at Washington plied he had called at the state department and was informed the situation had not yet assumed a serious character. The words "not yet" seem to have impressed the porte and on the strength of this information the sultan issued the irade in regard to the Kharput matter which he hoped would serve as a stop be of futile value to the missionaries, without the payment of the indemnity. Another irade issued April 25, orders Rear Admiral Ahmed Pasha to proceed

#### WAGES IN GERMANY.

to America in order to study the con-

They Are Only About One-third of Those in the United States.

struction of battleships

Washington, April 26.—Consul John E. Kehl, at Stettin, has furnished to the state department a number of interesting facts concerning labor and wages in Germany. The number of working people in the German empire, says Consul Kehl, is estimated at 10,900,000, of which number 2,100,000 are females, and with the increased cost of living and the disproportionate advance in wages, thing but a favorable outlook for the working classes is presented. The averin the neighborhood were in a mass of age daily expenses for food for a man and wife and two children amount to in the adjoining streets added to the about 35 cents. The average rent for were killed and 32 injured, including made clothes is cheap, but shoes are expensive. Petroleum costs 50 cent more than in the United States.

The wages of household servants, per month, including board, range from \$2.14 for kitchen servants to \$9.52 for footmen. In ship building yards the weekly compensation range from \$2.85 for boy rivet heaters to \$6 for molders. Seamens wages on coasting vessels, per month, are from \$4.28 for cabin boys to \$26,16 for first mate. Captains of vesof Battenberg left at noon today and sels are allowed 41 cents per day for each officer and 29 cents for the balance of the crew with which to "find food."

American labor, says the consul, receives trible the wages paid in Germany, although the cost of food is from 10 50 per cent cheaper in the United States than in that country. Tea of the quality for which we pay but 60 cents per pound costs in Germany \$1.65.

### MEDALS FOR VETERANS.

Ex-Confederates in Georgia Honored by Daughters the Confederacy.

Atlanta, April 26.-The annual observance of Memorial Day, a time when graves of the Confederate dead in every city and town of the state are decorated, took place in Georgia today. In blew open the vault of the Bank of Coul this city the celebration was conducted in an impressive manner and the presentation of the Southern Cross of Honorin the hall of the house of representatives was a notable event. This token of service of the Confederate soldier was prepared by the Daughters of the Confederacy and presented in every community where there is a local camp. Crosses were presented to about 300 Atlanta veterans and is the first instance that such honor has been paid to soldiers of the southern army.

#### Soldiers in Cuba Complain,

Havana, April 26 .- Army officers here complain bitterly of having to take government quarters instead of commutation which heretofore have been allowed This is particularly the case with married officers as a majority prefer keeping their families in the United States dur-

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under the existing law junior officers and others having their families must by force keep them in Cuba. Construction of houses here compel several families to keep one general mess, which also is much disliked.

#### No Smallpox Fund.

Choctaw medical board announces that home, but many small orders sent away on account of congress failing to make a make a big hole in the profits of a home smallpox appropriation for the Indian enterprise. Territory the board will receive no more cases for treatment, and that all camps now in operation will be abandoned as fast as the present patients are discharged. Should an epidemic break out Guarantees to do strictly first-class the various towns will have to take care work promptly and at of their own cases.

### Killed by a Fall.

Plainview, Tex., April 26.-- Robert Mitchell, only son of J. D. Mitchell, your patronage. Two doors south of aged 23 years, who was thrown from a aged 23 years, who was thrown from a horse several days ago, is dead. He was never conscious from the time of the fall until he died.

### Getting Money From Home

Is a fine thing, as everyone will the next best thing is keeping it at home You may think your laundry bill is a South McAlester, I. T., April 26 .- The small item when you send it away from

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Those participating assembled at the city hall and repaired to the cemetery, led by the Harris band, the ceremouies taking place at the grave of Col. Briscoe G. Bald-

Here prayer was offered by Rev. J. D. West, a hymn was sung by the daughters and a psalm by the historian of the Texas division, U. D. C., was read responsively by members of the Camp and the dard read an extract from an adveterans and leved ones.

for the decoration as follows:

son, Mrs A D True, Miss Lottie Parker, - Burton.

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Stottard, Mrs Mary Minkert, Mrs R K Chatham; H B Stoddard, W G Mitchell, John W Gee, J D West, Mark Wilcox, Wm Bowman, J C Davis, J S Mooring, R G Dunnica.

Mrs M W Sims, Mrs J J Adams, Mrs J F Parks, Mrs W M Foster, Mrs Frank Clarke, Mrs Wm A son U. C. V, members of L. S. Banks; John Evans, Mat Posey, Ross Chapter, U. D. C., and W B Baker, John McCorquodale, many others observed Decoration | B F Watkins, N B Cole, A B Shel-Day yesterday afternoon with burne, SM Derden, TL Loughridge

> Mrs W S Wilson, Miss T Shields, Miss Bessie West, Mrs Spencer Ford, Mrs J D West, Mrs D C De-Maret, Mrs Albert Buchanan, Mrs Geo W Smith; R L Weddington, D D Dawson, J F Parks, J N Cole, B F Leman, E J Butler, J W Tabor, T D Sanders.

Following is the list of those whose graves were decorated: L Ward Capt J P Ayers, Dr A R Canfield, O P McRoy, James Law-Chapter; Commander H. B. Stod- rence, W R King, Dr J H Webb, - McLendon, Robt McClelland, dress by Alexander H. Stephens, Isaac Fulkerson, John D Roberts, and Rev. Dr. Sims, pastor of the John Lovel, — Payne, Dr John Baptist church paid an eloquent Roberts, W V Waldrop, J M Robtribute to the memory of those inson, R E Myers, D F Myers, whom all were assembled to honor. James Farmer, - Randle, Col B Another hymn followed, and then G Baldwin, Thos Dunn, Dr J R a wealth of flowers were massed Johnson, J.P. Wilson, H.K. White, and strewn upon the graves of J.C. Williams, Jeremiah Wilson, Dr DePort Smyth, Pat Patterson, Four committees were appointed A B Carr Sr, D C Barmore, J J or the decoration as follows:

Coulter, J J Gainer, Napolean Da-Mrs F A Lee, Mrs W S Howell,
Mrs Eliza Johnson, Mrs J J Anderson. Miss Mattie Tabor, Mrs M
Joshua English, Peter Ragsdale, Parker, Mrs E J Butler, Mrs J W J A Buckholts, James Cyrus, Doremus; W E Saunders, J W Barnett, Dr L Erwin, Dan Batte, Johnson, G.W Smith, A C Brietz, DeWitt McMcMorries, C P Cear-T H Darwin, Joe Ellis, W H Har- nells, Dr Castles, R K Chatham, man, Thos Rowan, R R Royall. James Astin, W R Rhodes, Louis Mrs F 1 Garth, Mrs J W John- McQueen, John Chatham, Andrew

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PROGRAMME.

....By H. C. Miller 1. - America Forever Victorious, March, Harris Band. .By Judge W. H. Nall 2. - Address. ..By H. C. Miller 3.—Olympia Overture. Harris Band. 4.--Medley, Selections, Southern Plantation Songs, L. Conterno. Harris Band. -The Volunteer, Cornet Solo ... Prof. Miller and Miss Nellie Smith. 6.—The Great Captain March...... .W. H. Scouton Harris Band. 7.-Short and Sweet, Baritone Solo.... T. V. Short R. J. Newland and Band. 8.—Waltz, Sweet Enchantment.... H. C. Miller Harris Band. 9.—Serenade, Peaceful Slumbers... H. C. Miller Harris Band. 10.—Big Horn Polka, Tuba Solo... .Howell A. W. Hollmann and Band. 11.—Cake Walk, Bunch of Blackberries... ..Holzmann Harris Band. 12.—Salute to The West, March... ......H. C. Miller Harris Band.

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#### QGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGG LOCAL NEWS.

Commissioner Lee Edge was in town yesterday.

city yesterday.

Vaco yesterday.

Smoke Metropolitan eigars sold at Exposition Saloon.

W. D. Yardley was here from at Lewis Switch. Harvey yesterday.

I wish to buy a few good Jersey heifers. T. S. Minter.

Brook Hill Whisky-finest on

Marlin yesterday.

earth-Exposition saloon. from Reliance yesterday.

Horace Booth of the I. & G. N. was in the city yesterday.

Keep the band concert night in mind, and don't fail to at-

is visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. C. De- attend.

is visiting her sister, Mrs. Tom A. terday for Seattle, Washington,

Mrs. Buckhaults, Mrs. Edge and relatives here. Mrs. Moore of Ebenezer were visitors to Bryan yesterday.

will give a tea Friday afternoon from lyne gas plants. 4 to 8:30 at the residence of Mrs. W. T. James. Admission 10 cents. 124

Louis & Harrie, the new firm of 120 rooms. contractors, have been awarded a Drink Mt. Vernon Pure Rye at the contract by W. W. Harris for Exposition saloon. building a six room cottage in the southern part of town.

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The Mutual Improvement Cirele, at their regular meeting held Wednesday, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Mrs. M. W. Sims, president; Mrs. W. A. Banks, vice-president; Mrs. Seth Mooring, recording secretary; Mrs. R. S. Webb, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. A. McQueen, treasurer; Mrs. F. Marion Law,

The committee which visited Hearne yesterday, representing L. D. McGee was a visitor to the the local executive committee, to conter with Robertson county peo-Dr. Geo. R. Tabor returned from ple about right-of-way matters. arranged terms of purchase securing the right of way through Robertson county, and work of grading and tracklaying has begun

Mesdames T. R. Batte, J. C. Wil liams and W. R. Johnston will give I wish to buy a few good Jersey lams and W.R. Johnston will give a tea at the home of Mrs. Johnston next Tuesday May 1, from 4 to 8 p.

Mrs. J. F. Parks returned from m. In aid of the building fund for the Baptist parsonage. All are interesting in the Baptist parsonage.

Mr. T. P. Wooten has withdrawn from the firm of Wooten & Harder Rev. J. M. Bullock was here owing to ill health and Mr. Harder will continue the business, assuming all liabilities of the firm and collecting all accounts due the firm.

the College Mandolin Club will take part in the Band concert at Miss Aline DeMaret of Sherman, the opera house tonight. Let all

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Mulhall Mrs. G. W. Lewis of Kerrville, and Mr. Joseph Mulhall left yesafter spending a few days with

C. M. and F. M. Camp have returned from Manor, where they do, because I use plenty of gold in The ladies of the Christian church have recently put in eleven acete-

> Levy of Marlin has let the contract for a \$65,000 hotel to contain

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### WASHINGTON

The House Gives Pneumatic Tubes a Severe Blow.

### APPROPRIATION.

Mr. Moody Makes Sensational Charges Which Help Defeat the Measure. Senate Makes Appropriation for Hemp Experiment.

Washington, April 25.-After a brief debate Wednesday the senate agreed to the conference report on the Hawaiian civil government bill. The agricultural appropriation bill was passed, carrying a little over \$3,000,000. The Alaskan civil government bill was under consideration for an hour, but no progress was

Mr. Tillman secured the adoption of an amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill appropriating \$5000 to enable the secretary of agriculture to investigate and report on the cost of growing hemp, to demonstrate whether it be practicable to introduce its culture into the southern states. He explained that the cotton planters of the south were nearly at the mercy of the jute trust, which had a monopoly on supplying the covering of cotton bales. He hoped that a substitute for jute might be found.

The resolution declaring Nathan B. Scott duly elected a senator from West Virginia was taken up but on motion of Mr. Pettus of Alabama, who presented the minority report, the case went over.

A senate bill providing an American register for the steamer Esther of New Orleans, (formerly the Phoenix of Norway,) was passed.

The house puts its heel upon the pneumatic mail tube service now in operation in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, and if its action stands the whole service will be crushed out. The postoffice committee had recommended an increase of the appropriation for this service from \$225,000 to \$725,000. The proposed increased was attacked by the appropriations committee under the leadership of Mr. Moody of Massachusetts with such vigor and success that in the end the house voted 87 to 50 to strike the entire appropriation from the

Mr. Moody created a sensation by the manner in which he assailed the methods of the Pneumatic Tube company and a direct charge that a former member of congress, who was a member of the appropriations committee had been a holder of the stock and bonds of the company. He declined to disclose the gentleman's name. He added to the scandal by charging that a block of stock had been sent as a New Year's gift to a near relative of another member of congress, but to the credit of the member he said, the dishonoring gift had been returned to the sender by the next mail.

way mail clerks, but it went out on a point of order.

At the opening of the session William K. King, who served in the Fifty-fifth JF Kenedy, Marlin; CS Peatross, Yoakum; B Mathews, Willow Hole; W R Clark, Hearne; W H Mc-to the seat vacated by Brigham H. to the seat vacated by Brigham H. Roberts, who was denied the place.

#### Resolution to Withdraw Troops

Washington, April 27.—Senator Mason today introduced a joint resolution in the senate requiring the president to withdraw the forces of the United States from Cuba so as to turn the government of that island over to the Cubans by The resolution was preceded by a pre-

amble setting forth that in entering upon the war with Spain the United States disclaimed any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty over the islands; that the United States under the treaty of obligation gave independence to Cuban people; that a continuance of the United States in possession of the island has excited the attention of the world and exciting apprehension among the people of Caba; that under the Monroe doctrine the island is safe from foreign invasion; that the Cubans have shown a disposition to make their best efforts to govern themselves and can undoubtedly do so without endangering life or property and that the United States has done all that could be expected of it.

Cut to Shreds by Hail.

Lone Oak, Tex., April 25.—One of the hardest rains ever seen here fell Tuesday evening, in fact it was almost a waterspout. It was accompanied by hail At Point, a station seven miles south of here, they had the hardest hailstorm ever known in this section. The hail drifted up to the depth of one to two feet in places, ruining gardens, also beating down wheat in the vicinity.

San Antonio, April 26. —A Mexican named Guadalupe Romero, aged 70 years, was run down and fatally injured by an International and Great Northern train here. He died at the hospital.

Candidate for Speaker.

Corsicana, Tex., April 26. -R.E. Prince of Navarro has announced that in the event of his election to the legislature he will be a candidate for speaker of the 2-17 bouse.

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HANDKERCHIEFS Ladies White Lawn Handkerchiefs, worth 7c at ...... Ladies colored bordered Handkerchief worth 8c at.....

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Captain Chadwick Must Deny or Affirm His Criticism of Schley.

Washington, April 26. - Secretary Long is reported to have called the attention of Captain F. E. Chadwick, who commanded the armored cruiser New York during the battle of Santiago de Cuba, to an interview credited to him and published a few days ago, in which he bitterly assailed Rear Admiral Schley. It is known that the interview came to the attention of the secretary and that it is considered sufficiently serious to warrant an explanation from Captain Chadwick Should Captain Chadwick stand for the interview, it is likely that the department will feel in in duty bound to make him substantiate his statements. In this way it is impossible that the whole Sampson-Schley controversy may be reopened.

In the interview credited to him Capt Chadwick is alleged to have made these statements:

"Every one of us feels the disgrace that Schley has put upon us. It is not Sampson or Schley that we care about or anxious to vindicate. It is the honor of the navy that has been assailed, its esprit de corps that has received a serious blow, in the opinion of officers it has been injurious to us abroad by a disgraceful exhibition of pettiness of which Admiral Schley has been guilty.

"I have for him only contempt. I would not shake hands with him if he offered it to me, and in this I believe I simply reecho the sentiments of almost the entire navy. If Admiral Schley desires a vindication let him ask for an investigation of his conduct. The men who fought on the ships at the battle of Santiago, and the general public I am sure, would desire such an investigation and will be willing to abide by the result whatever it may be.'

Those who are acquainted with Capt. The best Material Chadwick's sentiments would not be surprised if he should avow that he was quoted correctly, but they express the opinion that he would explain to the department that he did not authorize the interview. In such a case it is difficult to forecast the action of the de partment.

Section 236 of the navy regulations prohibit criticism of officers by their colleagues. A violation of this regulation is punished by noting the offense upon the record of the guilty officer. Captain Chadwick has heretofore been veen very careful not to talk for publition and it is that fact which makes his friends believe that he did not authorize the interview.

Captain Chadwick has never been friendly to Rear Admiral Schley and the latter's friends intend to bring him to account. The fact that Rear Admiral Schley is several thousand miles away should have prevented any officer from citicising him, they declare, and they are glad that Secretary Long has shown his fairness by taking measures to prevent public criticism of their hero.

Should Captain Chadwick admit that he made the statements quoted it is likely that they will press the department to order a courtmartial and call its attention to the case of Chaplain McIntyre, who was dismissed because of criticism of Captain R. D. Evans, who commanded the battleship Iowa in the Santiago engagement.

The Panuco Fire.

Tampico, Mex., April 26.—Further particulars of the complete destruction by fire of the town of Panuco, situated about 40 miles southwest of here, on the river of that name, has reached here. The fire started in a thatched Mexican hut, and spread so rapidly by the high wind that was prevailing that many people narrowly escaped with their lives. Nearly 500 residences and other buildings were destroyed. A few of the buildings were built of substantial material, but most of the residences were mere jackals. Several warehouses containing large stores of hides and dyewoods, which were awaiting shipment down the Panuco river to Tampico, and thence to the United States and Europe, were burned. The 2000 homeless people are being well taken care of. The town will be rebuilt at once.

The Vote a Tie.

Washington, April 26.-A vote was taken in the interstate commerce committee of the senate on the question of reporting a bill enlarging the powers of the interstate commerce commission, which resulted in a tie-4 to 4. There were three absentees, and of these Al. drich and Chilton were paired, the latter for and the former against the bill. Senator Lindsey, the other absentee, was not paired and the chairman was authorized to consult him and then act accordingly. If Lindsay casts a vote in favor of reporting the bill, it will be put in, otherwise it will not.

Superintendent Eisele Sustained.

Hot Springs, Ark., April 26.-Martin Eisele, recently appointed superintendent of the government reservation here. has been finally sustained by the interior department in replacing all the old employees with Republicans. When he took hold, April 1, he made a clean sweep. He was given to understand that Secretary Hitchcock didnot approve of his work, but he forwarded his defense of his appointments, and has received a letter confirming his action.

Quebec Town Burning.

Montreal, April 26.—A special from Ottawa says a terrible fire has broken DR. PAUL M. RAYSOR, out in Hull, Quebec, across the river from Ottawa. It started in a mill and the flames blew across the Ottawa river and the Victoria and Burrows wharves caught fire. In Hull 100 houses have already been burned and more burning.

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